

### Abstract of the Disclosure

A video image data compression archiver is composed of an encoder and an encoder controller. The encoder compresses non-compressed video image data to generate compressed video image data. The encoder controller is connected to said encoder to  
5 control a frame size, a frame rate, and an average bit rate of said compressed video image data in response to at least one parameter selected from a group consisting of a number of frames of said non-compressed video image data, a recording time of said non-compressed video image data, and a free area of a recording medium  
10 for recording said compressed video image data.